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Green Party select candidate to fight for Yeovil constituency

SOUTH Somerset Green Party has selected Emily McIvor to stand for the Yeovil constituency, following recent hustings in Yeovil and Donyatt.

Emily's selection has been greeted with enthusiasm by local Green Party members. She is the party's regional elections co-ordinator and was a prominent 2014 European elections candidate.

Emily's selection comes at a time when Green Party membership is soaring.

Local party secretary, Peter Lansdown, said: "We now have five times as many members as we had in 2010 and if the rate of growth continues like this there will be some big surprises on polling day!"

Nationally, the party's membership is outstripping that of the Liberal Democrats and of UKIP whilst polling by Lord Ashcroft puts the Greens on 11 per cent, two percentage points ahead of the Lib Dems.When Molly Scott Cato was elected as the South West's first Green MEP last year, the South Somerset Lib Dem vote fell by eight per cent, and the party lost its only MEP.

Emily is a long-standing member of the Green Party. She grew up in Axminster in East Devon and now lives in Axmouth. She has had careers in teaching and animal welfare, and is currently policy director for a leading international animal welfare charity, having specialised in EU animal protection legislation for over a decade.

In 201, Emily received the prestigious Henry Spira Award for her contribution to animal welfare, and in 2013 she received the LUSH Special Prize to celebrate implementation of the EU ban on cosmetics animal testing.

As second candidate in the European election campaign, Emily has recent political experience.

Green Party campaigner, David Gordon, said: "We are fortunate to have a candidate with direct experience of working within the political system. Emily will represent Yeovil with the drive and integrity that voters expect."

Emily added: "I am delighted to be working with South Somerset's exceptional Green team! We know that voters are looking for change, and that our policies

resonate with people from across the political spectrum.

"The Westminster elite has lost the public's trust, and Greens offer solutions. We need to be in power, because we need to reverse the misery of Coalition cuts to benefits and public services, and to meet the threat of climate change with meaningful action."

South Somerset Green Party expressed their delight at "landing" Emily as their candidate. She will face current Liberal Democrat MP David Laws, Conservative candidate Marcus Fysh and UKIP candidate Simon Smedley in the May 7th election. Labour are expected to select their candidate for the area on March 1st.

Author and Green MEP to speak in Ilminster

AUTHOR of the prize-winning book "The Killing of the Countryside" and "Carbon Fields", and agricultural editor for BBC Radio 4 serial "The Archers", Graham Harvey, will give a talk on "Farming for Good Food and a Healthy Planet" on Saturday, February 14th at Swanmead School in Ilminster.

Mr Harvey will be introduced by Green Party MEP Molly Scott Cato, and a discussion will follow his talk chaired by the Vicar of the Minster, the Reverend Nigel Done, on the subject "What do we want from our MPs?"

Molly Scott Cato is the first Green MEP for the South West. She studied at Oxford, gained a doctorate at Aberystwyth and worked as Professor of Economics at Roehampton University.

For the past 15 years Molly has spoken for the Green Party on economics and finance. Her special interests include land ownership and food production, renewable energy, especially when it is owned by local communities, co-operatives and self-managed firms, and issues concerned with peace and opposing nuclear weapons and nuclear power.

The event is being organised by South Somerset Climate Action campaigners and doors will open at 9.30am for a 10am start. Tickets cost £3 or £1 for students and are available from Lanes Garden Centre, 17 Silver Street, Ilminster, or by sending a cheque made payable to SSCA to South Somerset Climate Action, 27 East Street, Ilminster TA19 0AN, call 01460 55323 or email joe@jburlington.co.uk

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County budget takes step forward

SPENDING and savings plans embodying the scale of the financial challenge being met by Somerset County Council took their next step at the end of January.

County councillors from two separate Scrutiny Committees came together for two back-to-back meetings at Taunton Conference Centre to consider and comment on the authority's future budget proposals.

The plans detail more than £300million of spend and a council tax freeze for a sixth year in a row, along with "necessary" cuts of £16million.

John Osman, leader of Somerset County Council, said: "I am glad to note that the breadth of proposals was subject to several hours of in-depth discussion, comment and debate by the committees.

"I would also like to thank those members of the public who came and expressed their views and gave their valued input.

"As a council we have a considerable challenge ahead of us to continue delivering the services we have an irrefutable legal duty to provide for the people of Somerset, against the backdrop of a stark drop in support from Central Government – a loss of £20million in one year.

Difficult decisions

"This is as pressure on, particularly, adult's social care and children's services, which alone represent £126million of our council budget, continues to rise.

"In light of this raw deal it is inevitable that we will have to make and consider some very difficult decisions, because ensuring the budget balances is our legal duty. I know we are all anticipating the next stage of this process when Cabinet meets on February 9th."

Points raised in the scrutiny meetings will be carried forward to Cabinet on Monday, February 9th 2015. There, members will discuss and make decisions on the Medium Term Financial Plan for 2015/16-2018/19, and the Capital Investment Programme for 2015/16.

To read the documents in full, visit www1.somerset.gov.uk/council/meetings/ and search for "Cabinet" or, to request a hard copy version of the agenda and papers, phone the Community Governance Group on 01823 357628.

Man dies after being hit by car

POLICE are appealing for witnesses following the death of an 81-year-old local man after he was hit by a car.

The collision happened on the A30 at about 10.46am on Sunday, February 1st. A car travelling north along Victoria Avenue hit a pedestrian near to the roundabout.

The injured man was taken to Southmead Hospital but died yesterday (Monday). He has been named as Albert Bullock, aged 81, from the Chard area.

Collision investigators are keen to hear from anyone who was in the area at the time who may have information to help their enquiries by calling 101.

Police teach pupils to stop, listen and look

CHILDREN from Manor Court Primary School in Chard learnt about the importance of road safety this week when Police Community Support Officer (PCSO) Lisa Davies visited their assembly.

Lisa was joined by Yarlington Housing Group's community co-ordinator, Tracey Baker, who initiated the visit after speaking with local residents in the area who had raised concerns about children's safety and lack of awareness they seemed to have when it came to the road, cars and playing.

Tracey said: "We felt it was crucial to reinforce the importance of road safety to the children. Each and every child is so precious and it is imperative, as adults, to help them understand and protect the one thing that they can't borrow, can't buy and can't get back once lost."

In the interactive assembly Lisa spoke with the children about the Highway Code, Green Cross Code and zebra crossings, stressing the importance of staying safe and always using bikes, scooters or rollerblades on the pavement.

Following the assembly Lisa and Tracey visited classrooms to hand out reflective dinosaurs and bears to the children to tie to their bags and coats.

Award nominations being sought

CHARD annual parish meeting will take place on Tuesday, April 28th in the Guildhall at 7pm when members of the public are welcome to attend and ask questions about local issues.

During the meeting, residents of Chard who have contributed to the town in some outstanding way will be awarded an Outstanding Service Award by the Mayor, Councillor Jenny Kenton, and nominations are now being sought.

Town clerk Sarah Robson said; "The council is seeking nominations from members of the public, of Chard residents who have unselfishly contributed to helping their community.

"These awards are all about recognising people within the town for the good work they have done helping others – it could be one single act or it could be over a number of years. We want to hear about these unsung heroes that have demonstrated outstanding voluntary service and commitment to others."

If you know of someone who deserves recognition for services to the community, send your nomination in writing and addressed to the clerk at Chard Town Council offices at the Guildhall. All nominations must be received no later than Friday March 13th.

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FAMILY HOME CAN'T BE SOLD FOR CARE FEES

IN A CASE heralded as a landmark court ruling, a woman has won the right to keep the family home, rather than sell it to pay for her mother's care.

The case centred on whether the County Council, which would otherwise be responsible for funding her mother's care, should take into account the value of the family home.

Where an individual owns assets worth more than £23,250, which will generally include the family home, they must pay for their own care. However, where the property is occupied by certain individuals, including a relative over the age of 60, the value of the home is generally disregarded, so that only cash and investment assets, as well as income, are taken into account.

The daughter successfully argued that, although she was not actually living in the family home, the property was nevertheless her only or main home. She did not own another property herself (she lived in rented accommodation), still had a bedroom at the family home, kept a number of personal items there, and had always intended to retire there.

The court agreed that the definition of "a home" goes beyond "physical permanent occupation", and is "a place to which a person has a degree of attachment both physical and emotional".

The circumstances of this particular case are quite unusual, and it remains to be seen how much further the definition of "a home" might extend to other situations.

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Animal sanctuary appoints new chief in 75th anniversary year

FERNE Animal Sanctuary, based at Wambrook, near Chard, last week announced the appointment of Elaine Hayes as its new chief executive.

Elaine began her career in the water industry. After a spell in business running a consultancy, she moved into the third sector as chief executive of a Wildlife Trust.

Since then she has worked for other charities, most recently as director of Living Coasts in Torquay.

Elaine said: "I am delighted to be the first chief executive of Ferne Animal Sanctuary in this our 75th anniversary year.

"The sanctuary does amazing work re-homing and caring for unwanted animals. I am looking forward to developing the Sanctuary - and planning for the next 75 years!"

Nanette Wale, chairman of Ferne's trustees added: "The trustees are delighted to welcome Elaine to Ferne. She arrives at a very exciting time in Ferne's life as we prepare to open our 'New Digs for Dogs' re-homing centre and begin to plan for the future.

"Elaine is very experienced in the field of animal welfare. We all look forward to working with her and implementing her ideas."

Ferne Animal Sanctuary is a registered charity open to the public all year round, except Christmas Day and New Year's Day. It relies solely on donations. To support the "New Digs for Dogs" £1million project for 2014/15 and learn about all the sanctuary's events, visit the website www.ferneanimalsanctuary.org or call 01460 65214.

■ **SAINSBURY'S in Chard have made a £150 food donation to the Lord's Larder food bank's winter appeal. Pictured above are Lord's Larder chairman John White with his colleague from the and Sainsbury's staff who helped with the food collection.**

Friendly competition for camera club

CHARD Camera Club hosted an inter-club competition against Wellington Camera Club on Thursday, January 22nd.

Each club entered 25 digitally projected images which were judged by Barry Castle (Licentiateship of the Royal Photographic Society). The competition was a closely-fought over affair with excellent images being played off by each club.

However, unfortunately for Chard, Wellington surfaced as the overall winner by just six points to win 418 to 412 points.

The event was very well-attended and Wellington were supported by a fair few of their club members. The evening was rounded off by a raffle and thanks were given to Joyce Partridge for the excellent provision of half-time refreshments at the interval.

A Chard Camera Club spokesperson said: "It must be said that the club is always on the lookout to increase its membership and would be willing to hear from anyone who would like to join them to further their photographic skills.

"They can get in touch by contacting Peter Partridge on 01460 66885 or by visiting www.chardcameraclub.org.uk.

Rotary modernises programme of meetings

THE Rotary Club of Chard is making changes to its usual format, meeting formally ownly twice a month in future instead of weekly meetings.

The change is part of the club's continuing effort to streamline its activities and hopefully attract new members. Already, the more formal meeting structure has been changed, offering members a more relaxed atmosphere, without diminishing the work of the Rotary movement, which has been a presence in Chard for 69 years.

The club will now meet at the Phoenix Hotel, on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month, continuing to meet at 6.30pm for a meal and business or speaker evening.

The president of the Rotary Club of Chard, Eric Beckley, emphasised that work on current programmes would not suffer and, indeed in the next few weeks, Rotarians would be sponsoring the nationwide "Youth Speaks" programme, with pupils from Holyrood Academy competing in both

Intermediate and Senior classes, and Rotarians gearing up for a"Race Night" at the Phoenix Hotel on February 24th, as a fundraiser for the Stroke Association.

A full programme continues with an antiques "Call my Bluff" evening on March 26th, a St George's Day Concert in Chard Guildhall on April 23rd and sponsoring a beer festival and an information evening at Tatworth in May.

In June, the club will once again be sponsoring Quad Kids, the sports afternoon for local primary schools, which last year attracted more than 100 competitors form 12 local schools.

Details of the Club's activities can be found by searching for Chard Rotary Club on Facebook and @ChardRotaryClub on Twitter.

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Textiles students inspired by visit to London museum

LONDON was the destinations for textiles students from Holyrood Academy in Chard in January, when they set off by coach from Ilminster to Hammersmith, heading for the famous Fashion and Textiles Museum.

Prior to the museum, students experienced a tube ride to central London, a first for one student, and a stroll along the South Bank, taking in the sights of the London Eye, St Paul's Cathedral and the Houses of Parliament.

The Fashion and Textiles Museum at London Bridge was an inspiration to all, with a fascinating exhibition of knitwear through the ages from Chanel to Westwood. The examples of 1930s knitted swimsuits and designer pieces from Vivienne Westwood and Julien MacDonald also got the students' creative juices flowing with ideas for their own work.

The fabric shops of Berwick Street were the next stop, where the students saw some weird and wonderful fabrics to give them inspiration for their final projects. Finally, there was plenty of time for the pupils to visit the all-important Oxford Street Topshop.

A great day was had by all, with lots of walking and sightseeing as well as acquiring valuable inspiration from designers and shops that we visited throughout the day.

■ **INSPIRED: Textiles students from Holyrood Academy with their follow-up work after a trip to the Fashion and Textiles Museum in London**

Holyrood goes back to the 80s

HOLYROOD Academy in Chard will be staging "The Wedding Singer" as this year's annual production.

Adapted from the 1998 film starring Adam Sandler and Drew Barrymore, the musical tells the story of Robbie Hart, played by Tiago Martins (pictured) - the lead singer in a wedding band who gets jilted at the altar on his own big day.

With a committed cast of 50 students aged from 12 to 18, everyone has been working incredibly hard at rehearsals to produce what will be one of the most comedic and cheesy shows Chard has ever seen!

So dig out those beloved shoulder pads and fluorescent leg warmers, crimp your hair and get ready to party like its 1985!

The show will be held from Tuesday, February 24th to Thursday 26th and tickets for £5 or £3 for concessions are available from the school.

Engineering students visit Gloucester College

AS part of the nationwide Engineering Education Scheme (EES), students from Holyrood Academy in Chard had the amazing opportunity to study at Gloucester College in January 2015.

Upon arrival, they were assigned a room for three days to work with chief engineer, Peter Duncan, from Date Palm Developments.

Students set about solving a problem "What method is the most energy efficient way of heating a growth room, and keeping it at a stable temperature of 25 degrees?" All the students worked incredibly hard over the three days, not finishing until after 8pm on both evenings.

Mark Easterling of Holyrood said: "I am happy to report the students ably solved the problem and are continuing to develop the solution into a working prototype. I'd like to extend my thanks to Peter Duncan and Gloucester College for their expertise and resources."

Combe primary deemed an outstanding Christian school

COMBE St Nicholas Primary School, near Chard, was delighted to receive an outstanding judgement in their Statutory Inspection of Anglican and Methodist Schools last month.

In the report the inspector said that pupils mirror the "excellent Christian role models" set for them by the staff, an appreciated the lengths staff went to to ensure that they were well-cared for and participated in an enriching curriculum.

She added: "The Christian character of Combe St Nicholas is extremely strong and is underpinned by a set of values that continue to nourish and sustain this community. The values are clearly expressed and children readily identify the effect these values have on their daily lives and achievements.

"As a result, they are able to articulate how each value is reliant upon the other and how 'woven together', they form the basis of their community and aid direction. This has contributed significantly to a compelling sense of belonging."

The inspector also stated that pupils "love school" and say that "learning is fun but challenging and if you are having difficulties, then teachers know exactly what to do and take you on a different route."

Pupils are very effectively supported and encouraged to raise their aspirations, consequently they are successful and all groups make very good academic progress, it added.

This report demonstrates how the school is continuing to develop and improve since the last Ofsted inspection which judged the school as good, but with many outstanding features.

Headteacher Lesley Katner said: "I am very proud of all that the school has achieved and would like to thank all staff and members of the School Ethos Committee who made this outcome possible, working in partnership with the board of governors, local clergy and the local community."

Chaffcombe residents enjoy traditional wassailing evening

VILLAGERS of Chaffcombe, near Chard, recently held their second wassailing event on a cold and brisk evening.

Originally a pagan practise, wassailing is traditionally held on Twelfth Night to drink to people's health and to ensure fertility of fruit trees.

Presided over by local resident, Peter Lansdown, more than 50 people, including many local children, dressed as kings and queens, trooped around the orchards of the village, banging pots and pans to scare away the evil spirits that might prevent a bumper harvest in the coming year, and tying bits of toast dipped in cider to the trees to ensure a bountiful crop, all the while singing the "Wassail Song". A bonfire was also lit.

Residents then returned to the village hall for some warming mulled cider, musical entertainment provided by Hilary Mead and Alfie Drewer and supper.

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■ LET'S GET COOKING! Steven Maull from Tesco with pupils Jasmine and Lola

CHILDREN from Greenfylde First Schoolin Ilminster have continued to take part in the Tesco "Farm to Fork" initiative with cookery lessons in their local supermarket.

The cooking classes have encouraged the Key Stage 2 pupils not only to be more healthy but to think about the range of foods they can try.

A spokesperson for the school said: "This has been a wonderful offer as it allows us to develop our cookery teaching within the new curriculum in a fun and exciting way. Encouraging children at this young age to take part in cookery will hopefully help them to develop a keen interest in nutrition and cooking in the future."

■ CHRISTMAS may have just passed but children and Greenfylde First School are already looking forward to this year's festive season thanks to a generous donation from Tesco.

Many shoppers would have seen the large artificial tree in the entrance to Ilminster Tesco over Christmas and this has now been donated to Greefylde for the children, staff and families to enjoy for many festive seasons to come.

Julia Jackson, the store's Community Champion, presented the tree to the school along with a range of decorations.

A spokesperson from Greenfylde said: "As a school we are very thankful for the generosity of Tesco and we are looking forward to next Christmas when the children can put the tree on display for all in our school community to share."

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WE'VE gotten pretty good at coping with the occasional breakout or bad hair day, but there are some beauty issues we suffer from that aren't so easily dealt with. Whether we've got a little more eyebrow than we bargained for or hair so fine that it slips through our fingers, the good thing about beauty problems is that they're almost always fixable. These 5 beauty problems are among the most common, which is why we've rounded up the most effective solutions for 'em all.

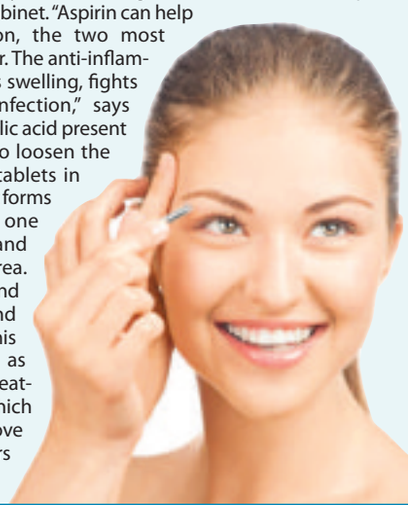
1. Unibrow: Don't do anything crazy! Simply trim the excess length and tweeze away the hairs that connect the two brows together. Less grooming is definitely more in this case. "Take a conservative approach and remove only the excess hairs. Be careful not to remove so much that your brows are too far apart," says celebrity makeup artist and brow expert Ramy Gafni. To be honest, there are some people who can actually really rock the uni look and need only trim the hairs between the brows to look presentable, but if you don't like it, there's no reason not to get rid of it.

2. Dark Circles: If you can't stand your dark undereye circles, try dabbing concealer in a triangular shape all the way from the inner corner of the eye downward and back up to the outer corner, gently patting to blend it down the cheek area. This technique will give better coverage and blend the different shades on your face better than applying concealer only directly under the eyes, says Marian Rothschild, a Certified Personal Image Consultant, makeup artist, and author of "Look Good Now and Always."

3. Fine Hair: Having fine hair isn't a beauty problem, per se, but many of us who have it pretty much live to make it look thicker. The best temporary fix? Start by applying a thickening mousse after towel-drying, then roughly blow dry with your head upside down. Once dry, let your hair cool with your head still upside down, then brush out gently. Skip the round brush and use a curling iron or hot rollers on dry hair instead for maximum body and bounce, says Rothschild.

4. Dandruff: "Put simply, dandruff is the result of skin cells maturing and dying too fast, building up, and causing irritation," says Grace Mahoney, owner of Blushing Brides. Rinsing your hair with vinegar, particularly apple cider vinegar or white vinegar, may sound like a pretty unpleasant idea, but it can actually be an effective way to treat dandruff. "Vinegar will get rid of the unwanted built-up skin cells that would flake off into dandruff, and it won't clog up your pores or result in more [dandruff]," she says. "An overgrowth of fungus can also cause dandruff, and vinegar acts like a fungicide. Using it is straightforward, simple, and is probably easier on your hair than some shampoos out there." Mahoney's recommendation: In a cup, mix together a half cup of warm water and a half cup of vinegar. (You can vary the total amount according to how much hair you have.) Pour the mixture over your hair, massage it gently into your scalp for several minutes, and then rinse it thoroughly with warm water. Wait about 8-12 hours before taking a normal shower and shampooing. Repeat once every week or two weeks, depending on how often you feel you need it.

5. Ingrown Hairs: Ingrown hairs are the result of hair curling back or growing sideways into the skin, and are most prevalent among those with coarse or curly hair, Mahoney says. It may or may not be accompanied by an infection of the hair follicle or "razor bumps," which vary in size. The good news is that a simple solution lies just in your medicine cabinet. "Aspirin can help reduce redness and inflammation, the two most common symptoms of ingrown hair. The anti-inflammatory property of aspirin reduces swelling, fights inflammation and treats mild infection," says Mahoney. Plus, she adds, "The salicylic acid present in aspirin scrubs away dead skin to loosen the offending hair." Soak two aspirin tablets in one teaspoon of warm water until it forms a paste-like consistency. Add one teaspoon of honey to the paste and apply the paste to the affected area. Leave the paste on for 10 minutes and then wash it off with warm water and gently pat the skin dry, and follow this remedy once or twice a week as needed. Accompany your aspirin treatment with a soft DIY sugar scrub, which will gently exfoliate the skin to remove dead cells and help the ingrown hairs to come to the surface.



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Swanmead champs at Youth Speaks competition

The Rotary Club of Ilminster held its annual Youth Speaks competition at Swanmead School this week, once again sponsored by Greenslade Taylor Hunt.

Rotary Youth Committee member, Peter McKay, explained that the competition, open to pupils in Years 5 and 6, aims to develop students' presentation and public speaking skills. Each team spoke on a different subject with a chair person introducing the main speaker, and a proposer, who proposes the vote of thanks.

Six teams from local schools competed in the competition, which has now been running for over 15 years. The teams were each given 10 minutes to present their topics and were judged on the clarity of their ideas, their convincing arguments, and the pace and tone of their voices.

Rotary president John Wood kick started the evening by introducing the judges and welcoming the friends and family of team members before announcing the order in which the teams would compete.

Teams were as follows: Swanmead A speaking on "How is de-forestation affecting the modern world" - chairman Shay Allen, speaker Freddy Luffman and roposer George Lewis; Swanmead B asking "Should loom bands be taken off toy store shelves?" - chairman Chloe Park, speaker Cecilia Hunt and proposer Bethan Moran; Combe St Nicholas speaking on "Green energy versus the countryside" - chairman Nell Wallbridge, speaker Ethan Rodway, proposer Jessica Flanagan; Hambridge A asking "How can we solve obesity?" - chairman George Crowther, speaker Oliver Mepham and proposer Luke Foulder Hughes; Hambridge B on "Should children cook at a younger age?" - chairman Lydia Blackford, speaker Zuleika Driver and proposer Darcey Faulkner; Curry Mallett asking "Should chocolate be taxed?" - chairman Archie Thornton, speaker Ethan Waldock and proposer Evie Jervis.

Judges were Stuart Shepherd, chairman of governors at Wadham School; Richard D'Rozario, head of English at Wadham School; and Anna Bowerman of Ilminster Entertainments Society.

Following all speeches, Swanmead A were announced as overall winners and the team's speaker Freddy Luffman was named individual winner.

Rotary president-elect, Linda Piggott-Vijeh, the former chairman of Somerset Schools Forum, and now county council cabinet support member for children and families, commented: "I am often invited to carry out speaking engagements myself for a wide range of organisations. It really is a very important and useful skill for anyone to have.

"I am passionate about education and learning, and encouraging children to learn to be confident in airing their views in front of an audience, is one of the best things that we do at Rotary. The amount of research each team had carried out was impressive."

■ **WINNERS: Rotary president John Wood with he overall winning Swanmead A team and, below, their peers from Swanmead B team. Below left, the team from Combe St Nicholas**

Conservative group agent speaks for ladies dining club

MEMBERS of the Somerset Conservative Ladies Dining Club met at the Shrubbery Hotel in Ilminster for their monthly luncheon, and in addition to local councillor Linda Vijeh, they welcomed guest speaker James Cockram, the party's group agent.

In his talk, James reiterated that whilst concerns remained over the UK's continued membership of the EU, it was only the Conservative party, on winning the upcoming election, that had pledged to hold a referendum. He also spoke of the rapidly changing face of local politics and the impact that the commitment of those who choose to get involved can have, at whatever level their engagement.

He reminded those present that as many as ome in 10 who enter the polling stations on election day do not make up their minds until they mark their ballot papers and that in winning votes there was no room for complacency.

When asked about issues in relation to immigration he responded by emphasising the valuable contribution that can be made by those who choose to come to live here, and who have the skills and work ethic to contribute to our society in a meaningful way. He did, however, also emphasise everyone has legal responsibilities and that, whilst we should be tolerant, we must not tolerate those that see themselves above the law.

Councillor Vijeh added: "Traditional Conservative supporters, who are often ladies of a certain age, do like to meet regularly to enjoy a spot of lunch, to talk tactics and to raise for funds for what they see as 'the fight'.

'With the election just a few weeks away, much is said by all parties of the need to reach out to a wider audience, which is indeed a valid point, but it is the tireless efforts of these stalwart supporters that form the backbone of many an election campaign.

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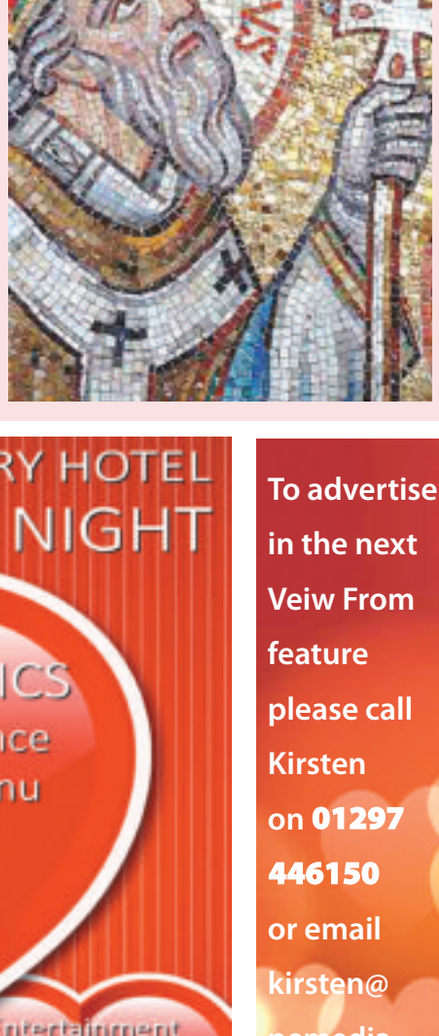
Celebrate Valentine's Day with the help of these local businesses

The Story of St.Valentine

IN 270 A.D., marriage had been outlawed by the emperor of Rome, Claudius II. Claudius issued this decree because he thought that married men made bad soldiers since they were reluctant to be torn away from their families in the case of war. Claudius had also outlawed Christianity in this time period because he wished to be praised as the one supreme god, the Emperor of Rome. Valentine was the bishop of Interamna during this period of oppression. Valentine thought that the decrees of Rome were wrong. He believed that people should be free to love God and to marry. Valentine invited the young couples of the area to come to him. When they came, Valentine secretly performed services of matrimony and united the couples.

Valentine was eventually caught and was brought before the emperor. The emperor saw that Valentine had conviction and drive that was unsurpassed among his men. Claudius tried and tried to persuade Valentine to leave Christianity, serve the Roman empire and the Roman gods. In exchange, Claudius would pardon him and make him one of his allies. St. Valentine held to his faith and did not renounce Christ. Because of this, the emperor sentenced him to a three-part execution. First, Valentine would be beaten, then stoned, and then finally, decapitated. Valentine died on February 14th, 270 A.D.

While in prison, waiting for his sentence to be carried out, Valentine fell in love with the jailer's daughter, the blind Asterius. During the course of Valentine's prison stay, a miracle occurred and Asterius regained her sight. Valentine sent her a final farewell note. He signed his last note, "From Your Valentine." Even today, this message remains as the motto for our Valentine's Day celebrations.



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CONVERSATION hearts, truffles galore and heart-shaped boxes of chocolates—these are the symbols of Valentine's Day for many lovers around the world.

But why do we have a "sweets to the sweet" tradition every February 14? While the roots of Valentine's Day go all the way back to Roman times, chocolate gift giving is a much more recent development. Is it because of chocolate's reputed aphrodisiac qualities, or just a way for companies to sell more sweets in the lull between Christmas and Easter? Whatever the reason, those ubiquitous little red boxes flood shelves every year.

By the 1840s, the notion of Valentine's Day as a holiday to celebrate romantic love had taken over most of the English-speaking world. It was Cupid's golden age -the prudish Victorians adored the notion of courtly love and showered each other with elaborate cards and gifts.

Into this love-crazed fray came Richard Cadbury, scion of the British chocolate manufacturing family and responsible for sales at a crucial point in his company's history.

Cadbury had recently improved its chocolate making technique so as to extract pure cocoa butter from whole beans, producing a more palatable drinking chocolate than most Britons had ever tasted. This process resulted in an excess amount of cocoa butter, which Cadbury used to produce many more varieties of what was then called "eating chocolate." Richard recognised a great marketing opportunity for the new chocolates and started selling them in beautifully decorated boxes that he designed himself.

From that point, it was a quick jump to taking the familiar images of Cupids and roses and putting them on heart-shaped boxes. While Richard Cadbury didn't actually patent the heart-shaped box, it's widely believed that he was the first to produce one. Cadbury marketed the boxes as having a dual purpose.

When the chocolates had all been eaten, the box itself was so pretty that it could be used again and again to store mementos, from locks of hair to love letters. The boxes grew increasingly elaborate until the outbreak of World War II, when sugar was rationed and Valentine's Day celebrations were scaled down. But Victorian-era Cadbury boxes still exist, and many are treasured family heirlooms or valuable items prized by collectors.

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Most of you know that Valentine's Day is supposed to be a day to declare your love.

It is the holiday that sells the most greeting cards with the exception of Christmas and it is also a holiday where gifts of chocolates and flowers are freely and not so freely given as tokens of affection.

Here are a few facts about Valentine's day you may not know.

1. In reality, there were actually 3 St. Valentine's. One was a priest, one a bishop and one little is known about except he was a martyr. The stories of the priest's and bishop's martyrdom are so closely related it is difficult to tell which St. Valentine the Holiday is named after.

2. According to legend it was St. Valentine himself who sent the first valentine in the form of a letter to his jailer's blind daughter with whom he had fallen in love. Just before he was put to death at the hands of King Claudius II for marrying the kings soldiers without the king's permission he penned a note to his love and signed it: From your Valentine.

3. It is believed that a mount Holyoke college student by the name of Ester Howland created the first lace valentine in the United States from lace, ribbon and colourful pictures. She has become known as the Mother of the Valentine.

4. Teachers receive more Valentine cards than anyone else, even children.

5. More than 650 million valentine cards are exchanged by children from ages 6-10 each year. Most of these cards are bought in the last 6 days leading up to Valentine's day.

6. Each year the city of Verona Italy receives more than 1000 Valentine's addressed to Shakespeare's Juliet. It really is amazing how much affection a dead fictional character can attract.

7. It was once believed that if a woman saw a flying robin on Valentine's day she would end up getting married to a sailor. If a sparrow was the bird she saw she would end up marrying a man that was poor and live a happy life, if she saw a goldfinch then she was to marry a man that was a millionaire. One can only wonder who she would marry if she saw a crow.

8. In 1929 at the height of prohibition Al Capone ordered the killing of members of a rival gang run by Bugs Moran in Chicago on Valentines Day. Authorities were unable to find any real evidence to tie Capone to the crime and he was never arrested or tried for the murder of these seven men. Instead he served his time for tax evasion.

9. More than 9 million pet owners buy gifts for their pets for Valentine's day. Now that is what can be called real puppy love.

10. It is estimated that 15% of the women in the United States who receive flowers for Valentine's day send them to themselves. There are no figures that tell how many of these women are married, single or in a relationship.

Salted caramel choc pots

Ingredients

4 tbsp dulce de leche or canned caramel
½ tsp sea salt, plus extra to serve
85g each milk and dark chocolate, broken into squares
1-2 long, thin, plain grissini
2 tbsp demerara sugar
100ml double cream, at room temperature
50ml milk

Ingredients

1. Mix the caramel with the salt, divide between 2 small glasses and chill.
2. Melt the chocolates together in a glass bowl set over a pan of barely simmering water. Snap the grissini into short lengths, then dip each end into the chocolate to coat a little. Sit on a wire rack for the chocolate to drip and set a little, then dip the chocolate ends into the sugar to coat. Sit in an airtight container lined with baking parchment and chill to set until ready to serve.
3. Stir the double cream and milk into the remaining melted chocolate until smooth, then scrape into a jug. Slowly pour on top of the caramel, around the edges first. Chill the pots for at least 2 hrs, or up to 24 hrs.
4. To serve, scatter a little more sea salt on top of each pot, then add one or two sugar-tipped grissini.

... Did you know ...

❤ THE saint we celebrate on Valentine's Day is known officially as St. Valentine of Rome in order to differentiate him from the dozen or so other Valentines on the list. Because Valentinus -from the Latin word for worthy, strong or powerful - was a popular name between the second and eighth centuries AD, several martyrs over the centuries have carried this name. The official Roman Catholic roster of saints shows about a dozen who were named Valentine or some variation thereof.

❤ VALENTINE is the patron saint of beekeepers and epilepsy, among many other things. Saints are certainly expected to keep busy in the afterlife. Their holy duties include interceding in earthly affairs and entertaining petitions from living souls. In this respect, St Valentine has wide-ranging spiritual responsibilities. People call on him to watch over the lives of lovers, of course, but also for interventions regarding beekeeping and epilepsy, as well as the plague, fainting and travelling. As you might expect, he's also the patron saint of engaged couples and happy marriages.

❤ YOU can find Valentine's skull in Rome. The flower-adorned skull of St Valentine is on display in the Basilica of Santa Maria in Cosmedin, Rome. In the early 1800s, the excavation of a catacomb near Rome yielded skeletal remains and other relics now associated with St Valentine.

❤ THE medieval English poet Geoffrey Chaucer often took liberties with history, placing his poetic characters into fictitious historical contexts that he represented as real. No record exists of romantic celebrations on Valentine's Day prior to a poem Chaucer wrote around 1375. In his work "Parliament of Foules," he links a tradition of courtly love with the celebration of St. Valentine's Feast Day.

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Volunteers with internet skills needed at Henhayes

HENHAYES Community Centre in Crewkerne is holding an open day on Thursday, February 12th in a bid to find more volunteers to publicise its activities on Facebook and Twitter - while gaining valuable work experience.

Project leader Linda Whitney said: "We want to use the skills of people who are good at social networking to create a Facebook page and Twitter presence for the centre so more people find out about the wealth of activities it offers."

In return, volunteers will get a certificate of participation, be eligible for a reference to show future employers and may be offered an introduction to other placements. The volunteers will also be offered the chance to help older people remember their life experiences, perhaps using the internet to show them places they have lived or worked, or to follow up hobbies and interests.

"The internet can enhance lives even for people who do not use it themselves," said Mrs Whitney. "One centre user was delighted when shown live internet footage of the Victoria Falls - the first time he had seen the falls since he worked in southern Africa years ago."

Volunteers must be 19 or over, unemployed or employed for less than 16 hours a week and, ideally, from Crewkerne or the surrounding area.

"Two volunteers have already been recruited but we are looking for more, which is why we are putting on the open day," said Mrs Whitney.

People considering volunteering for the project, which is supported by The Learning Curve, ESF, the Skills Funding Agency and the Southwest Foundation, can find out more at the open day, which is from 2pm to 4 pm at the Henhayes Centre, South Street Car Park, Crewkerne, on Thursday, February 12th. Those who do not want to wait for the open day can call 01460 74340 or email henhayescentre@btconnect.com marked for Linda's attention.

The Henhayes Community Centre is a stand-alone charity (number 269179) committed to the provision of activities which improve the quality of life of older people. It is open five days a week to anyone over 18 and accompanied under 18s. See http://www.henhayes.co.uk.

Students join forces for school council meeting

PUPILS from Greenfylde and Swanmead in Ilminster joined forces with those from Wadham in Crewkerne for their second joint school council meeting in the Ilminster Town Council chamber.

Representatives from all three schools came along with questions to pose to the Mayor of Ilminster, Councillor Emma Jane Taylor, and discussions took place on a wide range of issues including sports facilities, rubbish collections and development of open spaces.

Claire Oaten, headteacher at Greenfylde, who arranged this event, said: "The children who came along are very interested in their town and enjoyed the opportunity to discuss local issues that are important to them with the mayor.

"Having this opportunity to see democracy in action has a very positive effect on the pupils and promotes to them the responsibility that they will have as citizens of Ilminster.

"Our thanks go to Mayor Emma Jane Taylor and town clerk Joy Norris for giving their time to the young people and allowing them to hold the meeting at the town council offices."

Village students study artefacts for Roman day

CHILDREN from Misterton First School, near Crewkerne, enjoyed a day of special activities to kick off their Roman topic at the beginning of term.

Visitor Chris Adams came in with a huge number of Roman artefacts and information, as well as his metal detectors. Students had great fun trying to find as many metal objects as they could on the school field and two children even found a 1,800-year-old Roman coin.

This was followed by another fascinating "Roman Day", when second visitor Toby Stok, of Hands on History, brought in many real Roman artefacts including a shield, helmet and clothing. Students all had the opportunity to look and touch many of the items as well as try things on.

Children learnt lots of facts about Roman artefacts. For example, the shields were also used to keep dry after battle by leaning them on sticks and sheltering underneath them.

The pupils drew, measured and found out about Roman pottery, broaches and lamps too. They also made their names as a mosaic using real Roman tesserae pieces, as well as using five of them to play Roman game "five stones", which includes having to catch a stone on the back of your hand.

The most popular activity of the day for the children was designing and making their own Roman sheilds and masks after studying the real things.

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Artists draw on the inspiration of Hestercombe for unique exhibition

HESTERCOMBE itself is a unique combination of landscapes spanning three periods of gardening history encircling the dramatic central house which has only recently been re-unified with its surroundings. It is this remarkable place which provides the inspiration for the exhibition 'Second Site', which is now open.

The exhibition presents new work by five acclaimed artists who have responded to the history of the house, the gardens, the Gallery's recently reclaimed spaces and the relationships between both the places and some of the people associated with them. It includes a diverse range of media from drawing and sculpture, to interventions, sound and film.

Jo Lathwood has been resident artist since the gallery first opened its doors to the public in May 2014, since then she has spent time in her pop-up studio absorbing the surroundings by day and by night. She has been particularly drawn to the public's reaction to the house. Inspired by methodology and material her work ranges from drawings made from iron oak ink to bronze created from the remnants of the building and donations from Hestercombe's community.

Sculptors Laura Ellen Bacon and Simon Hitchens are interested in internal and external spaces, objects and surfaces that can 'feed' the forms they create. Whilst Laura Ellen Bacon's willow sculpture energetically spills, nuzzles and grips the space that we inhabit, Simon Hitchens' 'rocks' are displaced, they breathe, shedding their skins to become almost body-like.

Patrick Lowry and Megan Calver have focused on specific periods of history and their inside/outside relationships. Patrick Lowry has been drawn to the 'Arcadian' paintings of C. W. Bampfylde who lived at Hestercombe during the eighteenth century and created the landscape garden. Bampfylde was also an artist and his paintings can be seen in the house. Lowry's installation brings together aspects of Hestercombe, the garden, the painting, and the interior, in a way that re-focuses attention on the romantic illusion of Arcadia.

Megan Calver is interested in Hestercombe's varied stylistic heritage, for example the relationships between the world famous formal Edwardian garden created by architect Lutyens and plantswoman Gertrude Jekyll and perhaps bizarrely, Somerset Fire Brigade's recent occupation of Hestercombe House as its Headquarters. Collaborating with Hestercombe Centre for Young Musicians and Taunton Floral Art Club Calver's interventions focus on these changing concepts of taste.

Calver has picked up on a realisation which Gertrude Jekyll herself came to over a century ago and incorporates it into her work: 'We have shaken off our fetters; we can decide for ourselves what is beautiful and desirable, and think with only repulsion of being bound by any prevailing fashion.' Gertrude Jekyll.

Second Site will be open at the Hestercombe Gallery until April 12th 2015. Entrance is included as part of the usual garden entry price and is FREE to members.

Hestercombe Gardens is situated in Cheddon Fitzpaine, Taunton (TA2 8LG). For more information visit www.hestercombe.com or call 01823 413923.

The chance to dance

KEEN ballroom dancers will travel up to 50 miles on Saturday, February 28th to try out 'Dancing Duo's' newest venue, The Beehive in Monition.

At their first evening in town, Henry and Jeannie (Clark) will present an across-the-board mixture of ballroom, latin, sequence, jive and a few line dances with a seasonal theme: 'February Romance', and the hall will be appropriately decorated to enhance the ambience.

There is plenty of on-site parking and the cost of entry is just £6. Full bar and beverage facilities will be laid on by the centre. From Honiton main street, The Beehive can be found 500 yards along on the left.

The Duo, who have run dance events around the South West for 16 years, will also be in the area for Saturday, February 14th, presenting a Valentine's Ball, with all the trimmings, at The Guildhall in Chard - a great dance venue with superb sprung floor and amenities. Again, the entry fee is £6 and there is ample free parking (after 6pm) behind the building. You can bring your own soft drinks and snacks, while home beverages and biscuits are provided for a small charity donation. Evening wear is preferred for this event.

So far, Dancing Duo and their dancers have raised £15,000 for the regional cardiac charity - Heartswell South West.

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Diary Dates

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CREWKERNE: Sequence Dancing at the Victoria Hall, 1.45-4pm. £2pp includes teas and biscuits. Raffle. For more details call 01308 862866 or 01935 415520

CREWKERNE: Young People's Music Festival 7pm to 9pm. Come and listen to local young people showcasing their musical ability in a concert

MONDAY FEBRUARY 9TH

CREWKERNE: Bridge for beginners and improvers starts at 2pm at Henhayes Centre. Please phone 01460 74340 if you would like to attend.

TUESDAY FEBRUARY 10TH

CREWKERNE: Tuesday Welcome Group £1 per session at Henhayes Centre. For people 70/80+ who like to meet other people and enjoy a few activities like painting, pottery, music, quizzes and occasional bingo. Transport can be arranged and a cooked meal can be purchased from £3.50. Take-away meals are available.

WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 11TH

CREWKERNE: Bingo – Cash prizes – "eyes down" at 2.30pm at Henhayes Centre.

THURSDAY FEBRUARY 12TH

CHARD: Chard Royal Naval Association will be holding a 'Singalong a Shep' social at the Conservative club at 7.30pm where members will be entertained with the recording of the infamous antics and songs of the 60s to 80s by the old sea dog known as Shep Woolley. Anyone wishing to attend will be made welcome and further details of the association can be obtained by calling the Chairman Mrs Paula Moon 01460 929041 or via their official website at royal-naval-association.co.uk.

CREWKERNE: Folk Dancing at St Bartholomew's Church Hall, Abbey Street. Every Thursday, 8-10pm. Beginners welcome. For more details call 01460 77320 / 72505

CREWKERNE: Over 50s Keep Fit at Henhayes Centre. Class begins at 10am and costs £2.50 for members and £3.50 for non-members.

CREWKERNE: Open Day at Henhayes Centre. 2pm to 4pm. For young volunteers, especially those currently unemployed.

FRIDAY FEBRUARY 13TH

CREWKERNE: Sequence Dancing at the Victoria Hall, 1.45-4pm. £2pp includes teas and biscuits. Raffle. For more details call 01308 862866 or 01935 415520

CLAPTON: Clapton & Wayford Village Hall - lunch club, mid-day for 12.30pm start. All welcome, but please book in advance – by phoning 01460 77057.

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 14TH

HINTON ST GEORGE: Hinton St. George 'Flix in the Sticks' presents 'A Most Wanted Man' (15), in the Village Hall at 7.30 pm. Tickets £5 in advance from the Village Shop and Dorothy's Tea Room, or, £5.50p on the door. To reserve Tickets please contact Bob Kefford on 01460 72563.

MONDAY FEBRUARY 16TH

CREWKERNE: Crewkerne Awareness February Meeting. Guest Speaker: David Wallace on 'Soul Re-Alignment'. At the Meeting Room, Unitarian Chapel, Crewkerne. 7pm-9.30pm. Admission £2.50 (Includes Light Refreshments). Everyone Welcome. For more details call 01460 351019.

CHARD: Chard, Ilminster &District U3A invites anyone who has retired from full time employment to come to Chard Guildhall at 2 pm for a cup of tea/coffee and biscuits and hear Clem Pryer talk about 'Watercolours – a talk about Riverboat Art'.

TUESDAY FEBRUARY 17TH

CREWKERNE: Bingo at George Reynolds Sports Centre. Doors open 6.30pm, eyes down 7.30pm. In aid of Crewkerne Football Club.

WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 18TH

CLAPTON: Clapton & Wayford Village Hall - Coffee Morning with Raffle and Bring & Buy stall. From 10.30am. All are welcome; please come along to meet friends, neighbours & visitors for a social morning. Contributions welcome; details from Jane (01460 77588)

THURSDAY FEBRUARY 19TH

YOUNG ARTISTS OF THE FUTURE

THIS February, schoolchildren from four local schools will be taking part in an exciting exhibition at Ilminster Arts Centre.

The exhibition – the fourth of its kind to be held at IAC - sees pupils from Chard School, Greenfylde School, Swanmead School and Wadham School showcasing their latest artworks in the town's only gallery space.

Always popular with visitors, the exhibition promises a huge variety of styles, subject matter and inspiration for everyone to enjoy. The second week co-incides with half-term, so family and friends can all come along and admire the creative talent being nurtured in our schools.

The exhibition offers the students the chance to exhibit in a professional gallery environment and to present their work in the public domain.

The show is also an exciting opportunity for the public to see the high standard of art being produced by young people in this part of Somerset. Visitors will be able to see at first hand how the new generation of artists express themselves visually, and perhaps spot the stars of the future!

The Schools Go Visual IV exhibition opens on Monday, February 9th, and runs until Saturday, February 21st. The exhibition will be open 9.30am-4.30pm Monday to Friday, and 9.30am-2.30pm on Saturdays. Admission is free. For more details call 01460 55783 or visit the website at www.themeetinghouse.org.uk

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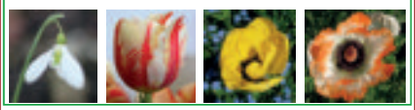

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The Interview 15
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The Theory of Everything 12A
Fri-Tue: 17.10, 20.20
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Wed: 2.20, Thu: 12.40, 17.10, 20.20

This week's new cinema releases

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THE INTERVIEW 15
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STILL LIFE 12A
A COUNCIL case worker looks for the relatives of those found dead and alone.

Comedy drama starring Eddie Marsan, Joanne Froggatt and Karen Drury.

Diary Dates

CHARD: Chard Camera Club will be meeting at the Baptist church hall at 7.30pm for an in house competition evening where members will be competing against each other for the 'Presidents Portfolio' which comprises of three images on a theme or subject. Anyone wishing to go along for the evening will be made most welcome and they can find further information on the club by contacting the club's membership secretary Mr Peter Partridge 01460 66885 or by visiting their website chardcameraclub.org.uk

SEAVINGTON ST MARY: South Somerset Local RSPB Group. Talk 'The Wildlife and Sites of Southern Brazil', by Field Trip Organisers Lynn and Steve Osborne. At the Millennium Hall, 7.30pm. Entry, includes tea and biscuits: £2.50 for group members, £3.50 for non-group members and under 18s free. All welcome. For more details call 01460 240740.

CREWKERNE: Folk Dancing at St Bartholomew's Church Hall, Abbey Street. Every Thursday, 8-10pm. Beginners welcome. For more details call 01460 77320 / 72505

FRIDAY FEBRUARY 20TH

CREWKERNE: Sequence Dancing at the Victoria Hall, 1.45-4pm. £2pp includes teas and biscuits. Raffle. For more details call 01308 862866 or 01935 415520

TATWORTH: Film: 'What We Did On Our Holiday'(cert 12A), at Tatworth Memorial Hall, doors 7.15pm, film 8pm. Organised by T&F Movies. For more details call 01460 220198.

DONYATT: Bingo Night at Donyatt Village Hall. Doors open 6.45pm, eyes down 7.30pm. Each book of 10 games - £1. Two flyers at £1 each. Prizes for Line and Full House. Raffle. Light refreshments available. Why not make a party of it? Bring friends, nibbles and a drink. To book a table ring 01460 53861/52129. Organised by Hall Comittee. Proceeds to the Village Hall Improvement Fund.

THURSDAY FEBRUARY 26TH

CREWKERNE: Folk Dancing at St Bartholomew's Church Hall, Abbey Street. Every Thursday, 8-10pm. Beginners welcome. For more details call 01460 77320 / 72505

FRIDAY FEBRUARY 27TH

CREWKERNE: Sequence Dancing at the Victoria Hall, 1.45-4pm. £2pp includes teas and biscuits. Raffle. For more details call 01308 862866 or 01935 415520

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 28TH

CREWKERNE: Annual Prize Bingo in aid of ZEM CC. Crowshute House. Doors 6.30pm, Eyes down 7.15pm. Three prizes per house, mammouth Raffle, refreshments. For more details call 01460 62842

THURSDAY MARCH 5TH

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SATURDAY MARCH 7TH

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THURSDAY MARCH 12TH

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Vauxhall To Unleash New Corsa VXR

VAUXHALL will take the wraps off the new Corsa VXR, its ultra-powerful small hot-hatch, at the 2015 Geneva Motor Show in March.

Benefiting from the significant revisions in technology, interior/exterior design and chassis showcased in the recently launched New Corsa, the VXR is set to raise the bar for small, fast hatchbacks when it appears in UK showrooms in May.

Headline performance figures are 0-60mph in 6.5 seconds and a top speed of 143mph – quicker than the outgoing car, but more importantly the VXR produces its 245Nm of torque from lower revs (between 1,900rpm and 5,800rpm, compared with 2,250rpm to 5,500rpm for the outgoing Nürburgring and Club-Sport models). This makes the VXR a potent performer between 50-75mph, which it can dispatch in just 6.6 seconds in fifth gear.

An overboost facility provides an additional 35Nm of torque, ideal for swift and safe overtaking. Maximum power from its 1.6-litre turbocharged engine is 205PS, while the Corsa VXR achieves 37.7mpg on the combined cycle with CO2 emissions of 174g/km.

As before, power is delivered to the front wheels via a second-generation six-speed transmission with a short, fluid gearchange.

Vauxhall has worked closely with damper-supplier, Koni, to develop a new technology, known as Frequency Selective Damping (FSD) for the new Corsa VXR. FSD allows damping forces to adapt to the car's movements, ensuring that body control is maintained when the car is driven fast, but ride quality is optimised at lower speeds. In addition, the car's ride height has been lowered by 10mm all round.

For the first time, Vauxhall is offering a two-stage switchable electronic stability programme (ESP) and traction control (TC) with the Corsa VXR. In Competition Mode the traction control is inactive, while the ESP is relaxed to allow less intervention. For track use, the ESP can be fully disabled.

Revisions have been made to the new Corsa VXR's steering, making it more direct and precise, with improved feedback through the wheel. Michelin 215/45 R17 tyres are standard, as are 308mm front brake discs.

Standard bi-xenon lighting and a choice of six exterior colours help the new Corsa VXR stand out in its class. An aggressive new front-end design features large air intakes and an aluminium-framed opening below the headlights. A small scoop is located below the bonnet and side-sill extensions enhance the Corsa VXR's performance credentials still further. At the rear, a rear spoiler provides meaningful downforce over the back axle, and twin Remus exhaust pipes further distinguish it from regular Corsas.

▲ Vauxhall Corsa VXR

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Renault Reveals Kadjar – Captur's Big Brother

BUOYED by the success of Captur, Renault is continuing its offensive in the world of crossovers with the launch of Kadjar, the brand's first C-segment crossover.

In a fast-growing and extremely popular area of the market, Kadjar will boost Renault's ambitions on the international stage, as it is due to go on sale initially in Europe and in many African and Mediterranean Basin countries, followed by China.

This sibling to Captur shakes up established thinking by bringing an innovative and attractive proposition to the crossover market. The Renault Kadjar stands out through its fluid, athletic exterior styling. Meanwhile, its interior is both sporty and refined, courtesy of the quality of the materials employed and the attention that has gone into its finish.

Available with either four- or two-wheel-drive transmission, the Renault Kadjar encourages adventure while at the same time delivering easy manoeuvrability in town thanks to its compact footprint (4.45 metres long x 1.84 metres wide).

Furnished with high-quality interior appointments and modern equipment, the Renault Kadjar offers advanced connectivity with the R-Link 2® multimedia system, along with a relaxed experience behind the wheel, courtesy of the latest driving aids.

The Renault Kadjar also benefits from a range of particularly efficient engines which position it at the forefront of the segment in terms of low fuel consumption and CO2 emissions.

The Renault Kadjar will be unveiled to the public at the 85th Geneva Motor Show which opens to the public on 5th March 2015.

It will go on sale in the summer in both Europe and a high number of countries in Africa and the Mediterranean Basin region and is scheduled to appear in RHD form in the UK in the Autumn.

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Buoyed by the success achieved by Captur, Kadjar is the latest addition to Renault's dynamic product plan. In the fast-growing crossover market, Kadjar is Renault's vision of a C-segment vehicle.

Renault extends its crossover range

With Kadjar, the Renault Group has showcased its creative ability with a view to conquering new markets and winning over new customers.

The dynamism of the current product offering is reflected in the average age of its range, which has decreased from 4.8 years in 2012 to 4.2 years in 2014. It is expected to reach 3.7 years by the end of 2015.

In 2014, almost one in every five vehicles sold across the world was a crossover, with the segment enjoying a market share of 23 per cent in Europe and 26 per cent in China. The segment consequently represents a real entry point to the key growth markets targeted by the group.

Captur was the second model to appear in Renault's crossover range after the Renault Koleos, Success was immediate. Thanks to its practical innovations and bold personality, this urban crossover emerged at the top of the European B-segment crossover market, with slightly more than 178,000 registrations in 2014.

Kadjar sees Renault maintain its offensive in this international segment with a C-segment model that slots into the range above Captur.

Kadjar, Captur's big brother, brings something new to the segment thanks to its fluid, athletic lines, status-enhancing appeal, travelling comfort and respect for the environment.

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rugby round up

Chard suck in mud as hosts utilise elements

Barnstaple 27 Chard 12
National League Three (SW)
By Glyn Hughes

A LARGE contingent of supporters travelled to North Devon for what was believed to be the first time Chard have played Barnstaple on their own patch.

The hospitality was excellent but the game was played in absolutely atrocious conditions with the home side eventually getting the edge with two late tries and having the knack of making the most of their opportunities.

It soon became apparent that the conditions would dictate the type of rugby on offer and in many ways this suited Chard in that a dogged forward battle in the mud seemed inevitable.

Territorially Chard were well on top for much of the first half with all the forwards playing well in the tight scrums and in general loose play.

However, as well as they played in these areas, they were let down by some very poor play in the key area of the lineout.

On at least four occasions Chard lost the ball against the throw in the lineout when in very good attacking positions close to the home try line.

They were made to pay when Barnstaple got good possession for the first time when a Chard kick failed to make touch. A few tackles were missed and some good handling resulted in winger Luke Berry going over for a try which he converted himself.

Chard pressed again from the restart, but in only their second real sortie into the Chard half, Barnstaple increased their lead when Berry slotted a penalty goal after Chard failed to release the ball in the tackle.

The rest of the half was played out in the mire close to the home line and eventually Chard got some reward for their efforts when, following a drive towards the line, Rob Burrell slipped the ball to Paul Mortensen who went over for a well deserved try.

Lawton, who had missed an early penalty attempts, made no mistake this time and Chard trailed 10-7.

The weather conditions were appalling with the players having to deal with hail, sleet and rain not to mention the cold and it was with some relief that they disappeared into the changing rooms under the stand for a well earned break.

Barnstaple had the wind in their favour in the second half and increased their slender lead almost immediately when Berry was again the man who slid over in the left hand corner for an unconverted effort.

Whereas Chard had been the dominant side in terms of territory in the opening half it was all Barnstaple for the next 20 minutes and Chard were pinned back deep in their own half.

The hosts increased their lead when they managed to win the ball against the head when up to this point the Chard scrum had been rock solid.

They used the possession well and went over for try number three which Berry again converted.

Twelve points down with the weather getting worse Chard were now really up against it.

But they summoned some hidden reserves of energy and were rewarded when Mortensen got his second try of the game.

With Lawton having been replaced, Neil Douglas took responsibility for the conversion but his attempt drifted wide.

In the last play of the game Barstaple broke clear and got a fourth - and bonus point - try.

Both sides deserved credit for doing their best in appalling conditions but Barnstaple earned their win because they were able to capitalise on the opportunities that came their way.

Chard: Harrison, Lawton, Douglas, Helliar, Riley, Twigg, Johnson, Parsons (capt) Wright, Burrell, Mortensen, Henley, Hyslop, Barlett, Aplin, Robinson, Gosden

Chard are at home tomorrow against Bournemouth (kick off at 2pm).

Old Sulians 26 CHARD 2nd 42
Somerset Division One

CHARD 2nd xv followed up their win at Yatton with another good performance when they travelled to Bath to play Old Sulians.

This win consolidates a mid-table position for the team.

Chard 3rd xv 51
Crewkerne 2nd xv 28

SOMERSET DIVISION THREE SOUTH

Having lost heavily at Crewkerne earlier in the season Chard 3rd xv turned the tables with a nine-try performance against their local rivals.

Crewkerne came back with three tries late in the second half but by this stage a win for Chard was in no doubt.

Try scorers for Chard were Billy Vernon (5), Lee Brun, Mick Duffy, Tom Jones and Ariak Marukian who scored his first ever try for the club.

Brun was successful with three conversions.

Skipper Jones said: "It was a terrific game played in a great spirit."

Tomorrow the 2nd xv are away at Castle Cary 1st xv and the 3rds are away at top of the table Frome 3rds.

Nat League 3 SW	Pld	+/-	Pts
Redingsensians	18	406	78
Exmouth	18	293	71
Brixham	18	53	58
Bracknell	17	120	52
Hornets	15	108	50
Old Centralians	16	11	46
Newton Abbot	18	10	45
Bournemouth	18	-100	34
Old Redcliffians	17	-111	32
Old Patesians	16	-117	32
Barnstaple	17	-61	31
Oxford Harlequins	17	-85	31
Weston-super-Mare	18	-174	17
CHARD	17	-353	7

Somerset One	Pld	+/-	Pts
Hornets II	17	452	79
Chew Valley II	18	528	79
Bridgwater & Alb II	18	296	65
Bristol Barbarians	17	234	62
Castle Cary	18	38	54
CREWKERNE	18	180	52
Old Sulians	18	67	47
Keynsham II	18	-76	36
CHARD II	18	-165	34
Wellington II	18	-168	25
Yatton II	18	-444	23
North Petherton II	18	-183	19
Cheddar Valley	18	-127	18
Midsomer Norton II	18	-632	7

Somerset Three	Pld	+/-	Pts
Frome III	8	145	36
MARTOCK	9	189	30
Wells III	8	78	20
Yatton III	5	61	18
CREWKERNE II	6	-21	8
North Petherton III	4	117	7
CHARD III	5	-186	0
Minehead Barbars III	4	-162	0
Castle Cary II	7	-190	-1
Midsomer Norton IV	4	-31	-10

skittles

CREWKERNE & DISTRICT

Nomination Cup

Lost Boys beat King Willy Dogs, Royal Oak Drimpton bt Raptors, Coachmen bt Rollers, Supery Sexy Six bt Football Club.

Brian Hall Memorial Cup

Acorns bt Chis Colts, Fryers bt Concorde, Skimmers bt Fudders, Loud 'n' Proud bt Rug Rats.

Ambulance Cup

Pinbusters bt Ugly Ducklings, Sports '92 bt Sandbaggers, Hill Billies bt Willy Low Flyers, Likely Lads bt Rotary.

ILMINSTER & DISTRICT

RESULTS; **Division One** - Flyings Turkeys 410-11 (P.Oliver 60) Ashill Inn 371-1 (N.Dopson 59), Royal Oak Faces 327-10 (D.Whaites 55) Crown Crusaders 319-2 (L.Loveless 45), Crown Royals 380-2 (B.Miles 57) Rocky's Rollers 404-10 (I.Findlay 61), Ashill Boys 330-3 (B.Smart 49) Bell A 331-9 (L.Male 51).

Division One	Pld	Pts
Flying Turkeys	9	84
Crown Crusaders	9	71
Rockey's Rollers	9	68
Flying Turkeys AS	8	58
Royal Oak Faces	9	56
Ashill Inn	9	50
Ashill Boys	9	41
Bell A	9	33
Crown Royals	9	19

Division Two - Nomads 357-9 (J.Thomas 52) Bell Broadway 345-3 (P.Lavis 52), Wyndham Clangers 275-1 (T.Lucas 44) Ilton Choppers 310-11 (S.Chown 43), Cricketers 362-9 (J.Payne 51) Wyndham Warriors 339-3 (K.Kneeshaw 50), Kingshead 308-1, Hatch Beagles 348-11 (P.Watts 51), Hatch Beagles 371-10 (P.Marks 63) Kingshead 366-2 (J.Shorting 52).

Division Two	Pld	Pts
Hatch Beagles	10	87
Nomads	9	81
Cricketers	9	79
Bell Broadway	9	71
Wyndham Warriors	9	45
Ilton Choppers	9	40
King's Head	10	37
Wyndham Clangers	9	36
Hatch Eggs	8	16

angling ilminster aa

Baz's best bag

FIVE Ilminster AA members headed to Isle Brewers and Redbridge last Sunday for round eight of the Royal Oak Winter League.

Gusty conditions made presentation awkward for some of the anglers, but some great weights were still recorded.

Baz Morgan drew in form peg 109 at Redbridge and had a nice net of mainly roach on the pole and maggots to win with 14lb 8oz.

Jamie Rich was second with another roach catch, he had 11lb 14oz from peg 125 at Isle Brewers.

Justin Charles struggled for most of the match but caught three big chub late for 10lb 8oz.

After eight matches, and dropping the worst result, Robin Cox leads with 10 points followed by Charles with 13.

Result; 1 - Baz Morgan (Baz Angling) - 14lb 8oz, 2 - Jamie Rich (Against Men and Fish/Burt Baits) - 11lb 14oz, 3 - Justin Charles (Ilminster) - 10lb 8oz.

For the full report go to www.againstmenandfish.blogspot.co.uk

The Annual Open is held on Sunday - the draw is at the Royal Oak between 8.30 and 9am.

schools sport rugby

Late drama as Holyrood land District title

Holyrood Academy 24
Stanchester 22
YR11 Rugby- January 28th

HOLYROOD Year 11 rugby team became District Champions at Chard Rugby Club beating Somerset Finalists Stanchester Academy, in dramatic style.

Holyrood got off to a slow start, conceding two early tries. However three unanswered tries from Joe Mainwaring, Emil Szydetko and James Whitlock gave them a deserved 19-10 half-time lead.

Stanchester's outstanding outside half then scored a superb solo try to take the score to 19-17. Joe Mainwaring made a powerful run to score a try after a period of sustained pressure, to take the score to 24-17.

Stanchester came back with a breakaway try two minutes from time, but then the crucial conversion to level the scores was missed!

Holyrood retained possession from the resultant kick off and were then awarded a penalty.

The kick at goal was missed and returned by Stanchester almost the entire length of the pitch.

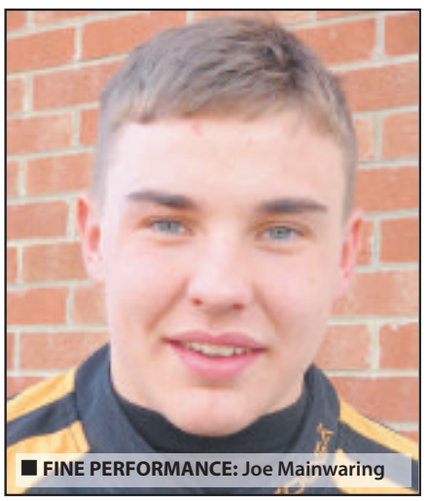
With the visiting player looking certain to score and win the game, Holyrood's Emil Szydetko appeared from nowhere and hauled him down; Man of the Match, Joe Mainwaring was first on the scene to steal the ball and seal a Holyrood victory with a kick to touch.

In addition to Mainwaring there were stand out performances from Szydetko, Silas Vickery and Luke Carslake

After the game Holyrood Academy Principle Martin Brook said: "The game was a fantastic advert for schools Rugby with two very skilful and fully committed teams giving their all.

"We are delighted of course with a Holyrood victory as it is a fair reward for all the work that has been done this year by the coach, Simon Jenkins and all the players.

"However, I would also like to give credit to Stanchester, who played the game in exactly the right spirit and who were unlucky to come out second best on this occasion."



■ FINE PERFORMANCE: Joe Mainwaring

jack high bowls news

ILMINSTER *by Des Maull*

LAST Saturday Ilminster men played YEOVIL in the National Double rink - a one rink home and one away match.

Ilminster won at home, lost away but won overall by nine shots. Details: Home, Tony Peterson, Rowland Garland, Peter Mattravers and Steve Turner 25, D Sutton 11;

Away, Will Anderson, Kevin Hamilton, Jason Miles and Mark Denslow 12, B Colvin 17.

SEATON were the visitors the following day for a three-rink friendly with Ilminster proving too strong winning on all rinks and by 69 shots to 29.

Details: Gill Campbell, Derek Carter, Gillian Leighton and Roy Orme 38, P Whitworthy 14; Chris Rymall, Jill Wells, Brian Welch and Mike King 22, P Griggs 13; Val Dargue, Eddie Hadfield, John Wells and Barry Sims 31, R Thompson 16.

Ilminster Ladies Triples team's run in the over 50s two wood triples came to an end in the Area final against NORTH WILTS.

Details: Angie Thompson, Heather Grinter & Maureen Mitchell 14, A Jacobs 23.

CHARD *by Sandra Sumpter*

CHARD travelled to SOUTH PETHERTON last week to play a friendly match which resulted in a draw at two games each although Chard did win 43-36 on shots.

There were another couple of close games in the Milford & Dormor Mixed Triples League with both matches ending in identical 15-9 score lines.

Royals v Hurricanes

ONCE again Royals started slowly. They are the only team not based at Chard and it can take them a few ends to get reacquainted with the mats.

They were 5-1 down after the first few ends but then drew level at 5-5 by the halfway point. They then really put their foot down and took the match 15-9.

Greyhounds v Magpies

GREYHOUNDS had won their previous two games and it looked as though they might extend this record as they led on nearly every end until the last two.

Magpies drew level twice and going into end 13 it was 9-9. Magpies took the last two ends with large shot counts to win the match.

M & D League	Pd	+/-	Pts
Harlequins	12	84	21
Royals	12	43	17
Magpies	12	-11	11
Greyhounds	13	-67	8
Hurricanes	13	-49	5

LOCAL FOOTBALL ROUND UP

with Howard Larcombe

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Merriott march on in Daisy Hutchings Cup

Barrington close in on title after lightning start - Fowler Final postponed

Chard Town 1 Chippenham 2

Toolstation Division One - att; 88

CHARD Town dropped two places to 13th spot in the Toolstation Division One table following a hard-fought defeat by Chippenham Town at Zembard Lane on Saturday.

A series of missed chances at both ends meant this game had 0-0 written all over it, but three goals in 10 minutes in the closing stages left the Robins with nothing to show for their efforts.

Will Giles nodded the visitors in front in the 79th minute only for substitute Scott Holland to link well with Andy Martin and notch his first goal in a Chard shirt just four minutes later.

But the points were destined to head off to Wiltshire as Mike Clement capitalised on a defensive slip to bag the winner in the 86th minute.

Chard; J.Hutchings, D.Hutchings (M.McCormack 77), L.Bailey, G.Chlopecki, B.Haines, Shaun Wells-Burr, A.Martin, C.Mawford (S.Holland 79), O.Latas, S.Clark, E.Butcher.

Unused subs; N.Warren, S.Parris.

Chard have no fixture tomorrow but return to action with a 126-mile round trip to CORSHAM UNITED on Wednesday evening.

SOMERSET LEAGUE

A THIRD consecutive 1-0 win, allied to second-placed Kewstoke Lions going down 2-1 at Highbridge, has seen COMBE ST NICHOLAS extend their lead at the top of Division Two (west) to six-points.

And for the second time in seven days it was Luke Finn who popped up midway through the first half with a crisp 25-yard shot for with the all-important winner.

The Saints were then guilty of squandering some good chances either side of the break. They were almost made to pay as the last half-hour became what manager Phil Loaring said was "An end-to-end battle, but we held on."

Next up for Combe, currently on a magnificent run of 11 straight league wins, is a trip to the north coast to take on fourth-placed Uphill Castle.

Meanwhile, with all four of the club's teams entreched in the bottom three places in their respective divisions, times are certainly tough at ILMINSTER TOWN at the moment.

The Blues' first team slid to their 12th consecutive away defeat as they went down 3-0 up at Watchet.

Charlie Rutter struck a post in a rare highlight for the visitors who have scored just three goals in their last nine league matches.

Next up for Darren Manley's troops is tomorrow's visit by Minehead (2.30ko).

DEVON & EXETER LEAGUE

ILMINSTER TOWN RESERVES failed to build on last week's morale-boosting win as they went down 3-1 at home against Halwill Reserves who completed a league double.

◆ **TARGET:** Karl Diment has Pethy sights set on second place.

Things started well for the Blues with Gethyn Jenkins firing them into an early lead.

But the visitors struck back and equalised before taking the lead courtesy of an unfortunate own goal by Ilminster player-manager Ken Timson.

The battled away after the turnaround to try and grab a point but were hit by a late counter attack.

Ilminster make the relatively short trip to face midtablers Honiton Town Reserves tomorrow.

Up in the Premier CHARD TOWN RESRVES' scheduled trip to Elmore was postponed due to a waterlogging.

The Robins second-string turn their attention to the Somerset Senior Cup tomorrow and a last 16 home tie against Dundry Athletic (145ko) . The Bristol-based outfit currently lead the Somerset League Division One (east) by four points.

PERRY STREET LEAGUE

Knock out cups

Daisy Hutchings Cup QF

FOURTH division MERRIOTT ROVERS once again pulled off a giant killing of sorts as they booked a place in the semi-final of the Daisy Hutchings Cup.

Goals from Ash Cooper (2), Sam Rowswell and Craig Gosney propelled Rovers to 4-1 victory at Division Three promotion contenders Barrington Reserves who shipped four on their own Shelway Lane turf for the first time in two years.

Rovers reward is a semi-final at Divison Three side Hawkchurch who hammered Division Two midtablers Crewkerne Town Reserves 9-3 in their quarter-final. Kieran Adams (2) and Harry Langdon netted the Tigers consolations.

Over at wind-blown Wadham School a first-half goal from Jack Male proved decisive as Crewkerne Rangers, with keeper Liam Sparks shining, set-up a semi-final at either Drimpton or Thorncombe after a 1-0 win over Waytown Hounds.

◆ **Semi-final draw;**

Drimpton (Div 2) or Thorncombe (D2) v Crewkerne Rangers (D2), Hawkchurch (D3) v Merriott Rov (D4).

PREMIER

Combe Reserves 2 Beaminster 1

TWO Craig Every goals earned Combe Reserves all three points at a blustery Slades Cross on Saturday.

The hosts, boosted by the slope and a gusting wind, took the lead when Every netted with a deflected shot from the edge of the area.

The Saints' skipper bagged his second when he pounced on a rebound after his twin brother Steve had seen his shot come back off a post.

Combe went close to adding a third when Ben Sheahan's free-kick cannoned back off the crossbar.

With elements in their favour Beaminster pulled one back when top-scorer Josh Hunter scored his 24th goal of the season. But the Saints put in a gutsy defensive shift to see out the win .

Crewkerne Town 9
Ilminster Town Colts 0

DEFENDING Champions Crewkerne Town surged back to the top of the table and very few in the local football scene would bet against them being there in May.

The Tigers shrugged off the disappointment of having to leave their boggy Henhayes pitch and quickly adapted to Misterton's Unity Lane Ground that is set to be their home for the remainder of the season - and possibly the next too - after the drainage system at their Henhayes home was fractured by an excavator at the start of the season.

Ex-Perry Street striker Liam Riste put Crewkerne on the road to victory on Saturday with an early strike and there was only going to be one outcome from there.

Jamie Spurdle then struck twice before the interval and the hosts cruised to victory with half a dozen unanswered goals after the turnaround.

Spurdle bagged three more and Riste scored twice to complete his own hat-trick with Adam Dawe rounding things off.

New signing Adam Male was Crewkerne joint-manager Ben Cox's choice as Man-of-the-Match.

Lyme Regis Reserves 1
West & Middle Chinnock 4

A MARK CAWLEY hat-trick consigned Lyme Regis Reserves to their third consecutive home defeat at the Davey Fort.

Things stated well for Lyme with Sam Jones coolly slotting home from the penalty spot after striker Brad Rowe had been felled by the Chinns' Manager-keeper Matt Alford.

Rowe went close to doubling the lead only to be denied by the post.

The visitors equalised when teenage goalkeeper Toby Fowler scuffed a goal kick and with his defenders dozing

◆ **HAT-TRICK:** Mark Cawley

MoM Cawley nipped in to score.

Lyme then went close twice more - firstly striking the woodwork when Alford acrobatically arched back to get his finger-tip to the ball and then having an effort kicked off the line.

But then a ball over the top caught the Lyme defence square and Cawley cracked home a superb 25-yarder to put the visitors in front for the first time.

The goal frame came to the visitors aid for a third time before Cawley converted at the near post to complete his triple.

Cawley then turned provider with a corner that was headed home by Jonny Jackson.

The Seasiders thought they had scored a second only for referee Martin Ives to rule that the ball hadn't crossed the line before being hacked clear by Liam Bennett.

South Petherton 9 Misterton 0

SOUTH Petherton crushed manager Karl Diment's old team Misterton for the second time this season to move up to second spot in the table.

Diment is convinced that is where his team will finish: "I don't think Crewkerne will slip up at all, but we want second place and have bult up some good momentum."

Dean Smith gave Pethy the lead on the quarter hour and Lee Richards headed home a second 10 minutes later and that's how it stayed until half-time.

The second-half was a one-way traffic. Danny Rendell headed in number two followed by more from Richards - a fine volley - and Smith.

Top scorer Rich Hebditch then got in on the act with a five-minute double just after the hour to move up to 17 for the season.

Sam Bourne made it 8-0 from the penalty spot before Chard Town man Jamie Underwood rounded things off ten minutes from time.

Around the League

THREE goals in a lively opening salvo decided Barrington's trip to **Division One** promotion rivals Millwey Rise.

A double from Guy Dare and a third goal from James Thompson had the visitors away and clear with just nine minutes on the clock.

Rise pulled one back through Mark Pike but second half strikes from Dare, who completed his hat-trick, and Tom Perry saw Barrington breeze home.

For much of the season it appeared as though Winsham United could also be heading back up to the Premier Division. But a poor run of just one point from nine has raised questions marks.

Winsh's latest reverse came in a 2-0 defeat against Lyme Bantams with Sam Bevis and Shaun Stewart bagging the goals after Mark Tozer had saved an early Rob Long penalty.

Elsewhere, an eighth league defeat for Chard United means they will likely be playing Division One football again next season.

Scott Miller found the top-corner with rasping 30-yard half-volley but it couldn't save Chard from a 2-1 defeat at Netherbury.

With Barrington Reserves in cup action their **Division Three** promotion rivals both made ground with big wins.

Chard United Reserves racked up their biggest win in more than 10 years (and maybe ever?) as they thrashed lowly Millwey Rise Reserves 8-2.

Top-scorer Liam Male led the way with four while Tom Brown wasn't far behind as he moved up to 16 for the season with a hat-trick. But Dan Wilcox claimed the pick of the goals with an inch-perfect free-kick.

Kingsbury also boosted their goal difference by half-a –dozen with a 6-0 drubbing of South Petherton Reserves.

Ben Norman (2), Lewis Bowditch (2), Luke Monk and Jake Russell shared the goals.

After consecutive bottom-of-the-table finishes Chard Rangers appear to be heading for the calmer waters of mid-table after a gritty 1-0 at Shepton Beauchamp Reserves.

The only goal came late-on when Scott Curtis converted from the penalty spot after a foul on Tom Warren resulted in referee Dave Carter red-carding Shepton keeper-manager Terry Crocker.

Another player to head for the showers early was Thorncombe's John Mason who was dismissed by man-in-black Wayne Ridout in a 2-2 draw at Merriott Dynamos.

The Thorns took the lead when Karl Smith's cross was turned into his own net by a home defender.

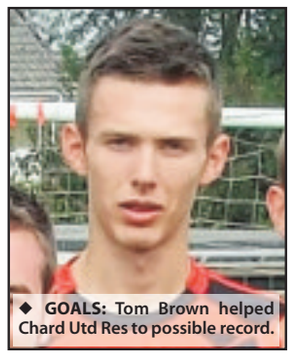
But a long range strike from Kieran Baily squared things up.

Luke Carver then fired the hosts in front before Mason was dismissed for two yellow cards.

But the 10-man visitors salvaged a point when sub Bryan Garrett converted a route-one chance.

The only game in **Division Four** saw Combe B's title hopes dented when they were held to a 3-3 draw by visitors Crewkerne Rangers Reserves.

But it could have been worse for the Saints who trailed 3-0 on the hour



◆ **GOALS:** Tom Brown helped Chard Utd Res to possible record.

through goals from Liam Adams (2) and Sam Rockett.

Combe then threw caution to the wind - and an extra man up front - and clawed back a points with strikes from Matt Corrick (2) and Rich Curwood.

◆ SHEPTON Beauchamp Reserves' scheduled **John Fowler Cup Final** against Hawkchurch United last on Thursday was postponed. Hosts Bridport FC felt their St Mary's Ground wasn't fit to stage two matches in three days.

PSDL officials have yet to confirm a date for the rearranged fixture.

PERRY STREET LEAGUE RESULTS

Thursday, January 29th
JOHN FOWLER CUP FINAL
Hawkchurch Utd p Shepton Beau Res p
Saturday, January 31st
PERRY STREET LEAGUE
DAISY HUTCHINGS CUP QF
Barrington Res (D3) 1 Merriott Rovers (D4) 4,
Crewk Rangers (D2) 1 Waytown Hnd (D2) 0,
Hawkchurch Utd (D39 Crewkerne Res 3.
PREMIER
Combe St Nicholas Reserves 2 Beaminster 1
Crewkerne Town 9 Ilminster Town Colts 0
Lyme Regis Res 1 West & Middle Chinnock 4
South Petherton 9 Misterton 0
DIVISION ONE
Lyme Regis Bantams 2 Winsham Utd 0
Millwey Rise 1 Barrington 5
Netherbury 2 Chard Utd 1
DIVISION THREE
Chard Utd Res 8 Millwey Rise Reserves 2
Kingsbury Episcopi 6 South Petherton Res 0
Merriott Dynamos 2 Thorncombe Res 2
Shepton Beauchamp Res 0 Chard Rangers 1
DIVISION FOUR
Combe B 3 Crewkerne Rangers Reserves 3

TOMORROW'S FIXTURES

(League games all 2.30pm ko -cups 2pm)

CHALLENGE CUP QF
Crewkerne Town v Beaminster
Ilminster Town Colts v Combe Reserves
Shepton Beauchamp v Lyme Regis Res
South Petherton v West & Middle Chinnock

ARTHUR GAGE CUP R1
Luso-Chard v Barrington
Netherbury v Farway Utd

TOMMY TABBERER CUP R1
Beaminster Reserves v Ilminster Town A
Combe St Nicholas A v Drimpton

REG EGLON CUP
Crewkerne Rangers Res v Chard Utd AS
Farway Utd Reserves v Drimpton Reserves
Merriott Rovers v Combe St Nicholas B
Winsham Utd Reserves v Uplyme Reserves

DIVISION ONE
Pymore v Lyme Regis Bantams
DIVISION TWO
Thorncombe v Uplyme
DIVISION THREE
Barrington Res v Shepton Beauchamp Res
Chard Utd Reserves v Chard Rangers
Dowlish & Donyatt v Thorncombe Res
Kingsbury Episcopi v Merriott Dynamos
Millwey Rise Res v South Petherton Res
DIVISION FOUR
Chard Rangers Res v Hinton St George

As they stand

Toolstation Div 1	Pld	+/-	Pts
Cribbs	29	33	64
Welton Rovers	27	29	64
Barnstaple Town	26	74	63
Ashton & Backwell	29	22	56
Wincanton Town	28	20	54
Corsham Town	27	18	47
Almondsbury UWE	26	2	45
Hengrove Athletic	28	4	40
Chippenham Park	26	9	38
Cheddar	26	3	37
Wellington	26	-2	37
Oldland Abbotonians	28	-13	37
CHARD TOWN	***29***	***-10***	***36***
Calne Town	30	-11	36
Radstock Town	28	0	35
Keynsham Town	32	-38	31
Devizes Town	28	-5	30
Wells City	32	-12	29
Warminster Town	25	-12	23
Westbury United	31	-40	23
Roman Glass St G	27	-29	21
Portishead Town	28	-42	12

Somerset Premier	Pld	+/-	Pts
Shirehampton	23	36	58
Fry Club	20	12	39
Watchet Town	21	14	38
Cutters Friday	19	10	38
Clutton	21	9	37
Frome Collegians	21	19	36
Bishops Lydeard	22	0	36
Nailsea Utd	23	12	35
Bridgwater Town Res	22	4	30
Wrington Redhill	19	-2	29
Berrow	22	-2	26
Minehead	23	-16	25
Yatton Athletic	21	-22	25
Odd Down Res	20	-2	24
Stockwood Green	23	-17	18
ILMINSTER TOWN	***20***	***-30***	***16***
Broad Plain House	21	-11	13
Nailsea Town	19	-14	12

Somerset Div 2W	Pld	+/-	Pts
COMBE St NICHOLAS	***15***	***33***	***39***
Worle	16	30	33
Kewstoke Lions	15	30	33
Uphill Castle	15	14	31
Winscombe	14	39	30
Highbridge Town	17	30	28
Cheddar Res	17	6	28
Taunton Utd 1610	15	9	25
Clevedon Utd Res	15	-13	16
Nailsea Utd Res	12	-8	13
Nailsea Town Res	16	-17	12
Churchill Club 70	14	-26	10
Burnham Utd Res	17	-57	7
Weston St Johns Res	18	-70	7

D & E Premier	Pld	+/-	Pts
Tiverton Town Res	15	52	37
Heavitree Utd	17	24	35
Sidbury Utd	17	23	34
Newtown	20	5	32
Feniton	13	24	27
Topsham Town	15	29	26
Hatherleigh Town	12	19	26
Elmore	15	5	24
Thorverton	13	14	23
CHARD TOWN RES	***15***	***5***	***20***
Beer Albion	17	-15	19
Exeter University Res	14	-1	16
Bow AAC	16	-9	15
Seaton Town	18	-31	12
Willand Rovers Res	16	-17	9
Budleigh Salterton Res	21	-127	1

D & E Division 5	Pld	+/-	Pts
Fluxton	15	36	36
Otterton	20	10	34
Sampford Peverell	17	25	33
Uplowman Athletic	16	29	31
Sandford	15	15	31
Halwill Res	16	7	27
Honiton Town Res	14	22	26
Feniton Res	18	-6	24
Priory	12	-11	15
Hatherleigh Town Res	16	-29	15
Starcross Generals	15	-22	13
Winkleigh	11	-4	12
ILMINSTER RES	***17***	***-35***	***10***
Stoke Hill	18	-37	9

PSDL Premier	Pld	+/-	Pts
Crewkerne Town	10	40	30
South Petherton	13	39	28
Perry Street	14	21	28
Shepton Beauchamp	12	37	27
W & M Chinnock	12	23	25
Beaminster	13	29	18
Combe St Nicholas Res	13	22	16
Lyme Regis Res	14	-21	12
Misterton	13	-100	6
Ilminster Town Colts	14	-89	0

Division One	Pld	+/-	Pts
Barrington	12	51	36
Millwey Rise	13	19	28
Winsham Utd	14	11	25
Netherbury	12	11	23
Chard Utd	15	3	19
Forton Rangers	13	-1	18
Lyme Regis Bantams	12	-11	14
Luso-Chard	12	-26	9
Pymore	11	-17	5
Farway Utd	10	-40	3

Division Two	Pld	+/-	Pts
Drimpton	13	44	35
Thorncombe	12	26	27
Waytown Hounds	14	17	25
Crewkerne Town Res	10	12	22
Crewkerne Rangers	14	-10	20
Combe St Nicholas A	14	-8	13
Uplyme	10	12	13
Charmouth	14	-11	13
Beaminster Res	14	-13	11
Ilminster Town A	13	-69	-2*

Division Three	Pld	+/-	Pts
Chard Utd Res	13	23	31
Kingsbury Episcopi	13	27	27
Barrington Res	12	17	27
Hawkchurch Utd	11	19	19
Thorncombe Res	14	-6	17
South Petherton Res	14	-9	17
Chard Rangers	11	-9	15
Dowlish & Donyatt	11	-7	11*
Merriott Dynamos	11	-6	10
Shepton Beau Res	13	-15	10
Millwey Rise Res	13	-31	8*

Division Four	Pld	+/-	Pts
Merriott Rovers	11	62	33
Combe St Nicholas B	12	29	29
Winsham Utd Res	13	2	21
Crewkerne Rangers Res	14	6	20
Uplyme Res	10	-2	15
Hinton St George	9	7	14
Chard Rangers Res	11	-17	12
Drimpton Res	11	-10	9
Farway Utd Res	10	-16	9
Chard Utd All Stars	13	-61	9

*= points deducted

hockey chard

Minehead defused!

Chard A 7 Minehead B 0

AFTER last week's defeat at Sidmouth & Ottery, this was a much improved Chard performance, the team answering captain Gareth Eggle's call for mental sharpness and intensity of play.

Even without striker Dan Stone, Chard won by this comfortably once a few early defensive jitters were settled.

Two goals in the opening quarter hour by Harvey Dening from his preferred left wing role set the tone for the afternoon.

The first was a close range effort, the second a powerful strike from a tight angle, after he had already gone close to opening his account in the first few minutes.

With some neat, close passing and good movement off the ball, Chard eased further ahead courtesy of Jason Goddard, then Man-of-the-Match Harry Felgate slotting home the fourth, poaching on the follow-up after the keeper and defence had blocked two efforts to cap an outstanding afternoon on the wing.

Chard had won by five at Minehead earlier in the season and the visitors must have feared the worst as Chard's back four, even without calling on Dave Lury, coped with increasing comfort with their rare attacks, the midfield took a firmer grip on the game and Eggle added a fifth before half time.

It was Eggle who scored again within five minutes of the restart to stifle Minehead's efforts to reassert themselves. Receiving a pass with his back to goal on the opposition 25-metre line, he spun past his marker and charged into the D, firing past the keeper into the corner of the net.

In the first half it had been Minehead's keeper whose athleticism had kept the score down. In the second it was Chard's profligacy in front of goal as they missed a hatful after some impressive approach play set up numerous chances.

But Trevor Goss was on hand in the 54th minute to calmly strike home Chard's seventh from one of their half dozen penalty corners.

Chard's dominance ensured no penalty corners were conceded and keeper Berge Balian had one of his quieter days between the posts.

SE 2 Div	Pd	GD	Pts
Bridgwater B	12	58	33
West Dorset A	12	27	28
North Devon A	12	18	25
Ashmoor A	11	34	20
CHARD A	12	38	18
Bridgwater C	12	14	18
Sidmth & Ott C	12	-7	18
Minehead B	12	-42	6
Taunton Vale D	13	-46	5
Sidmth & Ott D	12	-94	4

Chard: *Berge Balian, Danny Grabham, Paul Tratt, Chris Knight, Steve Mahoney, James Spurdle, Jason Goddard, Adam Veitch, Harvey Dening, Gareth Eggle (capt), Harry Felgate, Trevor Goss, Kyle Anderson, Dave Lury.*

***Umpires**: Chris Long & Jim Sainsbury*

glovers in focus Johnson dismissed

BY STUART BROOM

Right decision, but wrong solution

I guess it had been coming for a long time, but finally the Yeovil Town board have relieved Gary Johnson of his managerial duties.

Bottom of League One and only having signed free agent Fergus Bell when the transfer window closed on Monday it looked like there would be repercussions, and so it proved.

Johnson, Yeovil's most successful manager in their history has paid for the dismal showing this season after dropping down from the Championship.

On the field there have been several occasions this campaign when Johnson's standing was questioned as results lurched from bad to worse, before hopes with raised with success like Peterborough in September, Swindon in October and Oldham in December.

However the disaster over Christmas with home losses against fellow strugglers Colchester and Leyton Orient seemed to have bells ringing louder.

After all the furore surrounding the FA Cup match with Manchester United, victory over Bradford City and a point at Deepdale it looked as if they might have turned the corner.

But poor performances against Coventry City and at Peterborough last Saturday, saw the fans losing patience and expecting his dismissal if they lost this Saturday against Crawley Town.

The fact that it has come less than 48 hours after the transfer window closed with none of the money from the FA Cup or the wages of Brendan Moloney and Aaron Martin used, suggests maybe that could have been one of the reasons.

We can only speculate of course, because as with so much to do with Yeovil Town Football Club, the board are so secretive with information.

So did the board fire Johnson because of results? Was there a row about the board not opening the purse and giving Johnson money to buy players in the transfer window that led to him leaving?

◆ IT'S OVER: Gary Johnson managed the Glovers in 388 matches.

Whatever the reason, we are unlikely to know.

The board were probably right in relieving Johnson of his duties on the grounds of results alone. However I think they have only done part of the job.

Rumours have been rife amongst supporters for some time that some of the problems within the club regarding the loss of players such as Paddy Madden are not down to Johnson, but his assistants, and that his over loyal support of them in some situations has not helped him.

Many believe that if Johnson goes, Terry Skiverton and Darren Way should have also been dismissed.

Instead the board have put Skiverton in charge as acting manager with Way his assistant, and so, for the short term, it's all change back to the negative style of the former Glovers captain.

He was the cheap option the last time he was upgraded to manager and disappointed the fans with his ultra-defensive style of play, and no doubt he will adopt the same ideas.

Leaving making a substitution until the last few minutes having gone a goal down early on certainly doesn't inspire me!

My bet is that chairman John Fry will as always opt for the cheap option and leave it that way for the rest of the season, which may well see relegation for a second consecutive season.

League One (bottom)	Pld	GD	Pts
Coventry City	28	-10	31
Crewe Alexandra	27	-24	29
Colchester United	27	-11	28
Crawley Town	28	-21	27
Leyton Orient	27	-8	26
YEOVIL TOWN	28	-19	25

horse racing wessex point-to-point

Benedictus favourite in 15 strong field

BENEDICTUS is selected to win the Coronation Gold Cup Men's Open, the second of the season's four National Classic races, at Larkhill's Combined Services meeting on Sunday.

The 10-year-old made an impressive return to pointing in January when benefiting from a vintage Will Biddick holdup ride to take the 18-runner Larkhill Racing Club Open.

The 15 entries include Surenaga, winner of the 2011 classic Lady Dudley Cup, Steeltown, a close runner-up to subsequent Wincanton Hunter Chase winner Coombe Hill at Black Forest Lodge, the prolific Certain Flight, runner-up at Chipley Park, and Court Red Handed, a Brocklesby Park winner 12 months ago.

Richard Hewitt has entered King Fontaine and Barbury Castle winner Executive Benefit, who went on to finish fourth in a Taunton Hunter Chase, and his chosen runner may be the one to challenge Benedictus.

Posh Totty, a recent runner-up to Sunday's Musselburgh Hunter Chase winner Current Event, will get the vote if reappearing in the Ladies Open.

Former John Corbet Cup winner My Flora and Chaddesley Corbett winner Sir Du Bearn hold entries, but Catspan gave Byerley Bear plenty to think about at Black Forest Lodge and looks the danger.

Posh Totty will be an automatic selection if connections opt for the Combined Services Club Members race.

Cocklebarrow winner Jetnova, 2013 winner Dead Or Alive, stable companions Quedillac and Trueflyingcolours and Cottenham third Wessex King have chances, but Guy Disney's former David Pipe-trained Swing Bill, who finished 10th and sixth in the 2012 and 2013 Grand Nationals, looks the main threat.

Dual 2014 winner Done A Runner is fancied to continue Oxfordshire trainer Alan Hill's good run by taking the Novice Riders' Intermediate race.

Stalbridgeswansong, returning from a 20-month absence, Wadebridge winner Takamaru and Holnicote winner Tucumcari can complete the frame.

Ask The Weatherman was just touched off here five weeks ago and can go one better in the Restricted.

Briefcase put up a fine round of jumping at the Royal Artillery and looks the strongest challenger.

The card is completed by two Maiden contests. Robert Waley-Cohen's Atomic Tangerine, fourth in a Warwick bumper in October, Wadebridge runner-up Wilde At Heart and three-time placed Sweet Like You are three suggestions for the Mares race.

Master Max, Montecito and Black Forest Lodge runner-up Swingbridge are three to consider for the horses & geldings event.

The meeting gets underway with the King's Troop RHA Club Members race at 10.45am.

Admission is £10 per person, under 16s free. The course is found just NW of Amesbury on Salisbury Plain, reached via the A303, A360 or A345 (SP4 8QT).

The South Dorset

at Milborne St Andrew - February 1st

THE Plantation Picnic Club's Alskamatic goes straight to the Cheltenham Foxhunter after winning the South Dorset Ladies Open.

The nine-year-old was prominent throughout under Claire Hart and forged clear when Chloe Newton brought market rival Ghizao through to challenge in the last half-mile.

Alskamatic has now won four point-to-points, an Exeter hunter chase and finished runner-up in Cheltenham's 2014 Connolly's Red Mills Intermediate Point-to-Point Championship Series Final from his 19 races.

"We've deliberately given him a light campaign of two points in advance of the Foxhunter," said Kingsclere trainer Richard Bandey.

"He qualified via last season's hunter chases and hopefully he'll get an automatic place in the starting line up.

"We would be delighted if he finished in the first 10, but it will be a marvellous sporting day out for the Club."

Oxfordshire trainer Alan Hill took the training honours with a double with Bonhams Mens Open winner Harbour Court and Minella Theatre (Novice Riders' race). The former, fifth in the 2014 Cheltenham Foxhunter, finally wore down Cock Of The Rock (Harry Cobden) after jumping the last six lengths in arrears in third place.

"He looks well, he's jumped super and he's won, but he's won ugly and that's disappointing, as he's a better horse than that.

He actually looks like he needs a four-mile race at the moment," admitted Alan. Minella Theatre regained the lead from Barneys Mate after the last to give Albert Chandler, who works for Alan, a second career success.

Royal Artillery Hunt race winner Impact Area continued his rapid rise through the ranks by taking the Restricted race.

Harriet Besent's nine-year-old grey gelding raced prominently under Louis Muspratt before drawing well clear over the final four fences.

Racecourse debutants took the two divisions of the three-mile Maiden. The Jack Barber-trained five-year-old Charmix, a €3,000 French purchase in July, only needed to be pushed out by Will Biddick after leading four out in Division One. "Will says they've gone no gallop so he had to get first run before one of the others did.

Charmix is for sale now," said Jack, now on the eight-winner mark for the season.

Tom Lacey's Village Mystic is also for sale after crossing the line with his head still in his chest under trainer Sam Drinkwater in Division Two. "He hasn't been out of first gear today," smiled Tom. "I bought him out of a field in Sussex and liked him so much I gave the owner the amount he asked for.

"I think he's one of the best horses we've ever had and hope to sell him in the next few days."

Rockmills Lad benefited from the application of a Grakle noseband to take the 2m-4f Maiden. "He wasn't finishing his races over three miles but the Grakle noseband has aided his breathing and the shorter trip has helped him get home," summed up New Forest owner-trainer Rob Sparks.

Turtle Boys, who showed the benefit of a first-time tongue tie, recorded his third Milborne St Andrew win when taking the Hunt race under Ben Clarke.

darts chard & district league - division one singles knock-out

Male clinches knockout victory

◆ WINNER Barry Male (right) beat Jimmy Carter in his semi-final

CHARD & District Darts League held a First Division Singles knockout competition on Monday, January 26th.

A reasonable turnout saw a great competition unfold in the hospitable surrounds of The Royal Oak.

The top half of the draw saw Steve Webb crash his way through the rounds, but after disposing of Steve Austen in the semis he met a rampant Barry Male.

Male had beaten Jimmy Carter in the semi's and a clash of titans played out in the final which swung backwards and forwards but in the end Male it clinched on his double out.

◆ Runner-up Steve Webb beat Steve Austen in the other semi.

darts chard & district

Premier Division	Pld	Pts
High 4 & a Half	11	155
Country Classics	12	150
Rejects Return	11	140
BDBs	11	112
Hobnobs	11	103
Crusaders	11	98
Phoenix Clubbers	11	94
Pig Jockeys	12	91
Happy Sharks	11	78
Phoenix Poppes	11	71

180s; Gary Hill (7), Paul Lawrence (5), Leighton Cox, Louis Wells-Burr & Luke Lawrence (all 3), x8 players (2).

Division One	Pld	Pts
Down's	10	123
Hopefuls	10	113
Pirates	9	111
We Can Do This	10	109
PAs	10	100
Pop Darts	9	94
Cult of Person'ty	10	87
Stumpy's Gang	8	68
Winning Team	10	51

180s; Paul Newton (2), Mike Best, Paul Down, B.Gibson, Steve Lawrence & Jon Hodges (all x1).

Division Two	Pld	Pts
Okey Doaks	10	123
Madhouse Crew	11	121
Two Minute Crew	11	119
HRT	10	117
Clownin' Around	11	115
Happy Days	12	99
Duck Fs	11	95
Rare Breeds	10	88
Red Devils	11	85
Bs Knees	9	60

180s; Alan Sprake (2), Dave Bealey, Matt Leake, Steve Major, Gill McQueen, Tracey Scriven and Julie White (all 1).

snooker seaton league

THERE was a high scoring match at Honiton with David Selway notching up 10 points by beating "A" rated Stuart Orren, the highlight of the week.

With the other matches going very much to form with the possible exception of Chris Cripps winning a frame for Sidmouth whilst their star player lost two frames to Greg Jones who is now recovering his usual form.

Results - January 27th; Colyton TC 2+0 Chard IZZA147 4+0, Chard Casuals 1+2 Honiton Wonderers 5+0, Colyton ExCons 5+0 Sidmouth Allsorts 1+0, Honiton WMC 4+8 Colyton Feds 2+4.

League Table	Pld	Pts
Wonderers	13	55
Chard IZZA 147	13	46
Colyton Feds	13	46
Chard Casuals	13	39
Colyton ExCons	13	37
Honiton WMC	13	37
Colyton TC	13	34
Sidmouth Allsorts	13	15

Bruce Miller Cup	Pld	Pts
Colyton Feds	13	80
Honiton WMC	13	67
Chard IZZA147	13	62
Colyton TC	13	62
Chard Casuals	13	61
Wonderers	13	57
Colyton ExCons	13	47
Sidmouth Allsorts	13	25

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